AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please make the following amendments to the claims:

1-82. (Cancelled)

83. (Currently Amended) A method for providing a media service to a user via an interactive media services client coupled to a programmable media services server device, the method comprising[[;]] :

receiving, by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client, a movie identification identifying [[a]] an on-demand movie without a scheduled broadcast time;

assigning an access duration having a first value to the movie, responsive to receiving the movie identification;

~~enabling, by the STT, the user to access the movie video presentation during the access duration;~~

during the access duration,

receiving, by the interactive media services client, at least a portion of the on-demand movie from a server located remotely from the interactive media services client;

receiving, by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client, a first user input enabling the user to extend the access duration from the first value to a second value, based upon a third ~~the second~~ value specified by the user; and

enabling, by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client, the user to access the on-demand movie during the extended access duration, responsive to receiving the first user input.

84. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 83, further comprising the step of:

providing the user with pricing information related to the extended access duration.

85. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

providing, by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client, the user with a selectable option, the selectable option being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second value; and

receiving by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client ~~the first~~ a user input corresponding to the selectable option.

86. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

providing, by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client, the user with a selectable option during the first access duration, the selectable option being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second value; and

receiving by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client the first user input corresponding to the selectable option.

87. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

providing, by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client, the user with a plurality of selectable options, each of the selectable options being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value according to the corresponding value of a selected option from the plurality of options, the plurality of selectable options including one corresponding to [[a]] the third value; and

receiving by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client the first user input corresponding to the one of the selectable options corresponding to the third value.

88. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

providing, by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client, the user with a plurality of selectable options during the first access duration, each of the selectable options being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second ~~a third~~ value; and

receiving by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client the first user input corresponding to the one of the selectable options.

89. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 88, further comprising:

prior to the step of receiving the first user input corresponding to one of the selectable options, providing the user with information indicating an amount of playing time corresponding to a remainder of the on-demand movie, the remainder being calculated from a current interruption point in the on-demand movie video presentation.

90. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 88, further comprising:

providing the user with information identifying a plurality of prices, wherein each of the plurality of prices corresponds to a respective one of the plurality of selectable options.

91. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

charging the user a first price in connection with the access duration; and

charging the user a second price in connection with the extended access duration, wherein the first price is different from the second price.

92. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 83, further comprising the step of:

prior to the step of receiving the first user input, providing the user with information indicating that there is insufficient time remaining in the access duration to enable the user to view a remainder of the on-demand movie.

93. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

prior to the step of receiving the first user input, providing the user with information indicating an amount of time remaining in the access duration.

94. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

~~receiving, by the STT, during the accessing duration at least a portion fo the movie from a server located remotely from the STT;~~

outputting, by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client, during the access duration said at least a portion of the movie to [[the]] a television coupled to the interactive media services client;

interrupting, by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client, the output of the on-demand movie during the access duration, responsive to a second user input, wherein the interruption occurs at a current location;

resuming the output of the on-demand movie at the current location, by the STT, during the access duration, responsive to a third user input; and

receiving, by the STT, during a period between interrupt and the resume, the first user input enabling the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second value~~, the second value specified by the user~~;

95. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 83, further comprising:

~~receiving, by the interactive media services client, during the extended access duration at least a portion of the movie from a server located remotely from the STT; and~~

during the extended access duration:

outputting, by the ~~STT~~ interactive media services client, ~~during the extended access duration said~~ at least a second portion of the on-demand movie to ~~the~~ a television coupled to the interactive media services client.

96. (Currently Amended) A television set-top terminal (STT) configured to provide video content via a television, the STT comprising:

at least one memory having stored thereon program code; and

at least one processor that is programmed by at least the program code to enable the STT to:

receive a movie identification identifying [[a]] an on-demand movie and an access duration having a first value, the on-demand movie being without a scheduled broadcast time;

~~enable the user to access the movie video presentation during the access duration;~~

during the access duration,

receive at least a portion of the on-demand movie from a server located remotely from the STT;

receive a first user input enabling the user to extend the access duration from the first value to a second value, based upon a third ~~the second~~ value specified by the user; and

enable ~~enabling, by the STT,~~ the user to access the movie during the extended access duration, responsive to receiving the first user input.

97. (Previously Presented) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

provide the user with pricing information related to the extended access duration.

98. (Currently Amended) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

provide the user with a selectable option, the selectable option being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second value; and

receive ~~the~~ a first user input corresponding to the selectable option.

99. (Previously Presented) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

provide the user with a selectable option during the first access duration, the selectable option being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second value; and

receive the first user input corresponding to the selectable option.

100. (Currently Amended) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

provide the user with a plurality of selectable options, each of the selectable options being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value according to the corresponding value of a selected option from the plurality of options, the plurality of selectable options including one corresponding to the [[a]] third value; and

receive the first user input corresponding to the one of the selectable options corresponding to the third value.

101. (Currently Amended) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

provide the user with a plurality of selectable options during the first access duration, each of the selectable options being configured to enable the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second ~~a third~~ value; and

receive the first user input corresponding to the one of the selectable options.

102. (Currently Amended) The STT of claim 101, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

prior to the receiving the first user input corresponding to one of the selectable options, provide the user with information indicating an amount of playing time corresponding to a remainder of the on-demand movie, the remainder being calculated from a current interruption point in the on-demand movie video presentation.

103. (Previously Presented) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

provide the user with information identifying a plurality of prices, wherein each of the plurality of prices corresponds to a respective one of the plurality of selectable options.

104. (Currently Amended) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

prior to receiving the first user input, provide the user with information indicating that there is insufficient time remaining in the access duration to enable the user to view a remainder of the on-demand movie.

105. (Previously Presented) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

prior to receiving the first user input, provide the user with information indicating an amount of time remaining in the access duration.

106. (Currently Amended) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

~~receive, during the access duration, at least a portion of the movie from a server located remotely from the STT; and~~

output, during the access duration, the at least a portion of the on-demand movie to the television;

interrupt the output of the on-demand movie, during the access duration, responsive to a second user input, wherein the interruption occurs at a current location;

resume the output of the on-demand movie at the current location, during the access duration, responsive to a third user input; and

receive, during a period between interrupt and the resume, the first user input enabling the user to extend the access duration from the first value to the second value~~, the second value specified by the user~~;

107. (Currently Amended) The STT of claim 96, wherein the at least one processor is further programmed to enable the STT to:

~~receive, during the extended access duration at least a portion of the movie from a server located remotely from the STT; and~~

output, during the extended access duration said at least a portion of the movie to ~~the~~ a television coupled to the interactive media services client.